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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant is filing this Information Disclosure Statement and the accompanying form PTO-1449 along with copies of the prior art therein identified. Such prior art has come to the attention of applicant by being cited in a Search Report issued in the corresponding European application on January 28, 2002.

So far as applicant is aware, this Information Disclosure
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